

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department - Diversion of 38.40 ha. (i.e. 20.80 ha. in Kesali R.F. & 17.60 ha. in Kuntam R.F.) of Forest land in Vizianagaram Division for formation of a reservoir across Peddagadda Near Kesali Village, Pachipenta Mandal, in favour of the Project Administrator & Superintending Engineer, I & CAD, TTPR Circle, Vizianagaram - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 23

Dated: 24-2-2015.

Read the following:-

1. From PCCF, AP, Lr Rc. No.19700/2003/F1, Dt.9-6-2004.
2. State Govt. Lr.No.4280/For.I (1)/2004, Dated. 7-1-2005.
3. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APC065/2005-BAN, Dt:1-11-2006.
4. State Govt. Lr.No.4280/For.I (1)/2004, Dated:24-6-2008.
5. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APC065/2005/BAN/4352, Dt:12-5-2009.

ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letter 1st read above, has submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 38.40 ha. (i.e. 20.80 ha. in Kesali R.F. & 17.60 ha. in Kuntam R.F.) of Forest land in Vizianagaram Division for formation of a reservoir across Peddagadda Near Kesali Village, Pachipenta Mandal, in favour of the Project Administrator & Superintending Engineer, I & CAD, TTPR Circle, Vizianagaram and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for according necessary approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, vide their letter 3rd read above, have accorded their approval in-principle (Stage.I) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

4. The State Government vide letter 4th read above, have furnished compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, while according in-principle (Stage.I) approval. The State Government vide further letter dated. 5-2-2009 have furnished certain additional information as desired by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests.

5. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, in their letter 5th read above, have accorded their approval (Stage.II) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 38.40 ha. (i.e. 20.80 ha. in Kesali R.F. & 17.60 ha. in Kuntam R.F.) of Forest land in Vizianagaram Division for formation of a reservoir across Peddagadda Near Kesali Village, Pachipenta Mandal, in favour of the Project Administrator & Superintending Engineer, I & CAD, TTPR Circle, Vizianagaram, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

6. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, for diversion of 38.40 ha. (i.e. 20.80 ha. in Kesali R.F. & 17.60 ha. in Kuntam R.F.) of Forest land in Vizianagaram Division for formation of a reservoir across Peddagadda Near Kesali

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Village, Pachipenta Mandal, in favour of the Project Administrator & Superintending Engineer, I & CAD, TTPR Circle, Vizianagaram, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) The Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 38.40 Ha. of identified non forest land in Sy. No. 26 of Peddachelagam Village of RB Puram Mandal at the cost of user agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of Compensatory Afforestation site, if any.
- (iii) Non-forest land for Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as PF / RF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act, within a period of 6 months and the Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance within 6 Months.
- (iv) The Catchment Area Treatment Plan shall be executed at the cost of user agency as per the plan under supervision of State Forest Department.
- (v) The funds received from the user agency towards Compensatory Afforestation, Catchment Area Treatment Plan and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA-1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-1, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003.
- (vi) The additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any due as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28-03-2008 and 09-05-2008 in IA Nos. 826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 shall be realized from the user agency and transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA, in account number CA-1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 under intimation to this office.
- (vii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 38.40 ha. In case the land is not taken over by the user agency or the same is not used for the stipulated purpose within a period of two years, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is directed to take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIA CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, (I/C)

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

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The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)
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Project Administrator & Superintending Engineer,
I & CAD, TTPR Circle, Vizianagaram.

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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.